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P.O. Box 190010 North Charleston, SC 29419-9010 Attention: Mr. Gabriel Magwood

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Re:

Aboveground Storage Tank Closure Report dated 15 March 2000

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Howard L. Brilliant, MD

Building M-82/AST M82 (Site Identification # 15405-General File) Charleston Naval Complex/Charleston Naval Base

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Dear Mr. Magwood:

The author has completed technical review of the referenced document. As submitted, the report provides a narrative describing closure activities and analytical results of environmental sampling to determine if releases have occurred as a result of operation of the referenced vessel and/or associated piping system. The analytical results provided indicate reportable concentrations of PAH compounds were detected in soil grab samples obtained from under the piping at the outfall. The reported concentrations approach or exceed the RBSL (Risk-Based Screening Levels, SCDHEC Risk-Based Corrective Action for Petroleum Releases, 5 January 1998), proposed RBC (Risk-Based Concentrations for Residential Soils, EPA Region III Risk-Based Concentrations Table, 7 October 1999) and/or as proposed in the SCAP (Soil Corrective Action Plan amended July 1997) for the Charleston Naval Complex and appear to indicate that additional endeavors for remedial actions and contaminant characterization are warranted at the referenced site. In this regard, assessment/corrective action activities proposed in the Tank Management Plan (dated October 1996) should be implemented in an appropriate and timely manner. Employed activities should be technically sufficient and reasonable to determine the extent and severity of suspected contamination. Please be reminded that groundwater sampling, if necessary, will require construction of sampling points and will need to be submitted for prior review and approval, as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Bristol, Hydrogeologist Groundwater Quality Section

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